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Applicant: Naoki ITANO et al. Conf: 1471
Appl. No.: 10/541,777 Group: 3753
Filed: July 8, 2005 Examiner: Hepperle, Stephen M.
For: RAPIDLY OPENING PRESSURE REGULATING VALVE, FIRE EXTINGUISHING
APPARATUS USING THE SAME, HIGH-PRESSURE GAS CYLINDER
APPARATUS AND APPARATUS FOR RAPIDLY SUPPLYING FLUID

LETTER REQUESTING INITIALED PTO 1449 FORM

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Randolph Building
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Alexandria, VA 22314
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April 16, 2008

Dear Sir:

In reviewing the above-captioned application file upon allowance, the undersigned has noted that acknowledgment was not received of the PTO Form 1449 filed with the Information Disclosure Statement on October 11, 2005.

Accordingly, a copy of the PTO Form 1449 not acknowledged is attached hereto. The Examiner is respectfully requested to return the initialed form to the undersigned as soon as possible.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment of Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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